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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached forms PTO-1449.

The European Search Report indicates that U.S. 6,291,567 is a substantively cumulative English language counterpart of EP 0 908 490 and the International Search Report along with the European Search Report indicate that U.S. 6,414,070 is a substantively cumulative English language counterpart of WO 01/66627.

Copies of the foreign references with the exception of the two mentioned above along with all abstracts and articles are enclosed herewith. Also enclosed is a copy of the European Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report was supplied, when this application entered the U.S. national phase.

Applicant would also like to bring the Examiner's attention to co-pending applications 10/481,964 and 10/533,011.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 forms.


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